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In re Patent Application of:

Tatsuhiko NAGATA

Group Art Unit: 3652

Serial No: 09/997,265

Examiner: Steven A. BRATLIE

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed November 4, 2003, having a shortened period for response set to expire on February 4, 2004. A petition and fee for a One-month Extension of Time is enclosed, thereby extending the response period to March 4, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

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REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL

S&H Form: (10/03)

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| AMOUNT ENCLOSED | 110.00 | Attorney Docket No. | 1408.1005 |
| | | Application Number | 09/997,265 |
| | | Filing Date | November 30, 2001 |
| | | First Named Inventor | Tatsuhiko NAGATA |
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| | | Examiner Name | Steven A. BRATLIE |

FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED | Claims Remaining After Amendment | Highest Number Previously Paid For | Number Extra | Rate | Calculations |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 9 | - 20 = | 0 | X \$ 18.00 = | \$ 0.00 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 2 | - 3 = | 0 | X \$ 86.00 = | 0.00 |

Since an Official Action set an original due date of February 4, 2004, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$420); 3 months (\$950); 4 months (\$1,480); 5 months (\$2,010)):

\$110.00

If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$330.00)

If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00)

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Total of above Calculations =

\$ 110.00

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TOTAL FEES DUE =

\$ 110.00

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SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP

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| Signature | | Date | March 4, 2004 |

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

A Substitute Specification (marked-up copy and clean copy) is filed concurrently herewith.